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Application of: John C. Reed

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 20, 2001, and pursuant to Rule 111 of the Rules of Practice, please consider the following amendment and remarks.

Applicants submit herewith: 1) a Petition for Extension of Time, up to and including Saturday, October 20, 2001, accompanied by the appropriate fee; 2) a marked up version of replacement paragraphs of the specification, attached hereto as Exhibit A; 3) a marked up version of the amended claims, attached hereto as Exhibit B; and 4) a copy of the claims that will be pending upon entry of this amendment, attached hereto as Exhibit C. Since October 20, 2001 is a Saturday, this response is now due Monday, October 22, 2001. Accordingly, this response is being timely filed.

It is estimated that no fee, other than the time extension fee, is required for this response. In the event that any additional fee is required, please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150.